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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **DESGROEILLERS et al.** Our file: **10875.77**
Serial No.: **09/316,048** Group Art Unit: **1632**
Filed: **May 21, 1999** Examiner: **SHUKLA**
Title: **MAMMALIAN STAUFEN AND USE THEREOF**

SUPPLEMENTARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

This follows telephone conversations of March 1st and 2nd, 2001 with Examiner Shukla. In accordance therewith, please find herewith an amendment to the claims to replace references to the figures by references to SEQ ID Nos.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete the introductory paragraph and replace by the following:

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

Please amend claim 4 as follows.

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4. (Amended) An isolated nucleic molecule comprising a polynucleotide sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) a nucleotide sequence encoding a staufen polypeptide comprising amino acids from about 1 to about 577 of SEQ ID NO:6;